Several hours clapsed before any reply was received from General Toral, and then he sent a message to General Shafter to the effect that the matter was of such great importance that he had been obliged to refer it to the Madrid Government, and that he would send his final answer as soon as he could receive instructions from Madrid

It was then late in the afternoon, and General Shafter gave orders to all the troops to get as much rest as possible and be prepared to resume the attack at any moment.

No other answer had been received from General Toral up to 6 o'clock this evening.

While the negotiations were pending Major-General Miles arrived off Aguadores, on board the Yale, from Charleston, Admiral Sampson went on board the Yale and held a conference with General Miles; then the latter went to Siboney, landed for a short while and held a telephone communication with General Shafter, seven miles away. General Miles will go to the front to-morrow morning.

The Americans advanced steadily all day. In several of the Spanish trenches our troops found dummy wooden guns and no Spanish soldiers.

ARRIVAL OF GENERAL MILES.

Off Santiago de Cuba, July 11, via Kingston, Jamaica, July 12 .- The United States auxiliary cruiser Yale arrived off this port at 2 p. m. today from Charleston, S. C., with Major-General Miles and his staff, an additional Hospital Corps, Companies A to M of the 6th Illinois and the 6th Massachusetts, numbering 103 men each.

Shortly after the arrival of the Yale Rear-Admiral Sampson and Captain Chadwick paid a visit to General Miles, staying fifteen minutes on board the auxiliary cruiser. The Yale then proceeded to Siboney. Half an hour later the cruiser Columbia arrived with additional men belonging to the 6th Illinois.

Both the Yale and the Columbia reported all

Immediately after his arrival at Siboney, General Miles and his personal staff landed in the cutter of the Yale.

REPORT FROM GENERAL MILES. Washington, July 12 .- General Miles, who arrived at Siboney on the Yale yesterday, made the following report to Secretary Alger to-day:

Arrived at noon. Had consultation with Admiral Sampson and with General Shafter by telephone. Troops brought from Tampa, Charleston and New-York arrived and leaving for the front. Line of investment being extended.

General Miles has not taken and will not take charge of the operations now being conducted against Santiago. Whatever credit is to be derived from the capture of that town, if it results from the prosecution of the present plan of operations by General Shafter, will redound to that officer's credit, for General Miles has declared expressly that he will not assume charge of operations. He is there simply in his capacity as commanding general of the Army, to ok over the fleid and ascertain whether or not

look over the field and ascertain whether or not the operations are proceeding properly. But with his appearance comes substantial assistance for General Shafter. With him on the Yale were more than a thousand men and considerable artillery, while the Columbia, which formed part of his expedition, is ex-pected to report her arrival at any moment with the remainder of the troops, As General Shafter has referred to the thinness of his lines, it is expected that these reinforcements will be it is expected that these reinforcements will

LAND FORCES WATCH FLEET'S WORK.

In Camp near Santiago de Cuba, Monday, July 11, via Port Antonio and Kingston, Jamaica, July 12.-The land forces watch with interest the bombardment from the fleet. About eight o'clock the thunder of guns was heard to the seaward, and a dense cloud of smoke, rising over the ridge to the south, showed that Many shells from the ships burst in the north-

east part of the city, which it is difficult to see from the American lines. It is impossible to say what effect they had. Several burst in the centre of the town, with great effect. One shell, the explosion of which was seen

from San Juan Hill, burst in a small street. When the atmosphere cleared it seemed as if the entire street had been blown out of existence. A large hole was torn in the ground and many buildings were demolished. If a hu :dred other shells could be landed with similar effect they would destroy Santiago. The warships fired for only a short time.

SPANISH TRICKERY AND DISPLAY.

Before Santiago de Cuba, July 11, via Kinga ton, Jamaica, July 12.-Two ridiculous "plays" made by Spanish officers last night excited amusement in the American line. Late in the evening loud talking was heard from the first line of the Spanish intrenchments. An interpreter was called, and soon came in on a run to report that a Spanish officer was addressing his men, urging them to stand fast for the honor of Spain, as the morrow would be the last day of fighting, for the American Army would be wiped out the first thing in the morning.

Faint cheering followed, much less distinct than the officer's voice. The American sharpshooters ruthlessly fired in the direction of the Spanish lines, and the hero who was going to wipe out the American Army made a quick dive for the trenches, from which no Spanish heroes

Late yesterday afternoon, before the flag of truce came down, a group of Spanish officers galloped along the lines in bright uniform, carrying the Spanish flags, and charged near the end of our line, back and forth, in front of the flag of truce, making an elaborate display. Finally they dashed into the town, out of danger, and then down came the white flag.

FOR GALLANTRY UNDER FIRE.

Before Santiago de Cuba, July 11, via Kingston, Jamaica, July 12.-General Kent recommends the following officers of his division for

Major Sharp, Major Phil Reade, Captain N. G. McAlexander, Lieutenant G. S. Cartwright, Lieutenant Johnson and Alde-de-Camp Monroe. of the volunteers, who was wounded and will be recommended for a commission.

AN OBJECT-LESSON FOR TORAL Washington, July 12.- The impression prevalled in official circles when public business closed for the day that the flag of truce set in the Spanish lines at Santiago at 2 o'clock yesterday afterroon was still flying, and that negotiations continued looking to a surrender. The basis for these negotiations naturally could not

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be very broad, in view of the injunction the President laid upon General Shafter to accept nothing less than unconditional surrender, but it is supposed that time may be consumed through the indulgence of General Shafter in allowing the Spanish commander to communicate by cable with General Blanco in the effort

to obtain his assent to the surrender. General Toral undoubtedly has before his eyes the vindictive abuse heaped upon the unfortunate naval commander, Cervera, for surrendering at all, so that he probably will be bound by the direction of Blanco in his own case.

It is not generally known that in response to the many and pathetic reports by cable to Blanco announcing the loss of his squadron, Cervera received a most harsh and unsympathetic reply, but such is the case. Blanco's purpose in this may have been to dissuade other Spanish commanders, military and naval, from surrendering under any conditions, and, in the case of Toral, it appears that he has made a strong impression. Nevertheless, confidence waxes in the speedy fall of Santiago, though many officers fear that the nest will be found empty and the birds flown when the American troops make their entry into the town. Still, should this be the case, it may be fairly claimed that the prime object of the movement on Santiago-namely, the destruction of the Spanish squadron-having been achieved, the campaign as a whole has been successful

OVERTURES MUST COME FROM SPAIN

Washington, July 12 .- Although the statement has been repeated day after day that no overtures have been made to this Government for peace, it may be repeated once more, in view of the expressions decying it at the State Department as to so much of the stories emanating from European sources as seek to create the impresof its representatives so far has made any move in this direction. The fact is to-day as it has been: The first overtures in the direction of peace must come from Spain, directly or in

GUARDING AGAINST YELLOW FEVER.

Playa del Este, Cuba, July 12 .- The known presence of vellow fever at Caimanera, Guantaname and other towns in the vicinity of Camp McCalla and along the coast has resulted in the establishment of the strictes; quarantine.

with the north side of the bay, and no one will be permitted to land from vessels entering the harbor here without a special permit from the commanding officer.

This may result in considerable inconvenience to the newspaper dispatch boats.

It also cuts off communication with the insurgent forces around Guantanamo, under the command of General Perez, and the regiment of Colonel Tomas.

The rules will also be rigidly enforced at Camp McCalla, although the general health of the American marines is remarkably good. LETTERS HERE FROM THE FRONT.

About five hundred unstamped letters from soldiers in Cuba were received at the General office yesterday from Portsmouth, N. H., and sent out on the first delivery yesterday morning. The out on the first delivery yesterday morning. The letters bore the postmark, "Military Station No. 1, Cuba, June 29." They were brought to Portsmouth with about twenty thousand others from the soldiers in Cuba, addressed to all parts of the country, on the St. Louis. A number of stamped letters from the soldiers were received for New-York in the same mail. It was provided by the Postmasser-General at the beginning of the war that letters might be mailed by soldiers or satiors in active service without stamps, provided they were franked by the immediate commanding officer. The postage is collected from the addressees.

Not one of the unstamped letters taken out by the carriers yesterday morning was taken back to the office. In most cases three or four persons struggled to pay the postage at once.

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TROOPS TO LEAVE CHARLESTON TO-DAY.

Charleston, S. C., July 12.-Three transports were eported off the bar to-day. At I o'clock the Rese lute came up to quarantine flying a yellow flag. She cast anchor there and a few moments later the lighthouse tender Wistaria went out to her with orders to proceed to Newport News. She did so at once. An hou later the Grande Duchesse and No. 30 came in and were docked. The work of embarking the troops here on them will begin to-morrow. It has not been positively decided toalight which two of the three regiments here will go on the two ships. The 18th Pennsylvania will probably be one of those se-ceted, but a choice between the 2d and 3d Wisconsin has not yet been made. The ships will get away early to-morrow.

CAPTURED A BLOCKADE RUNNER. Key West, July 12.-The British sloop Wary, another would-be blockade-runner, was capt ured on the 2d inst. by the United States auxiliary cruiser St. Louis, and arrived here to-day under a prize crew, consisting of Port Officer F. J. Albrecht and two men.

The Wary is a twenty-two-ton vessel, and was loaded with provisions of a miscellaneous character, including flour, rice, cheese, lard, potatoes and beer.

The Wary, under Captain Jeremiah Moss and three men, all Jamaica negroes, was bound from Kingston for Cape Cruz. It was first suspected that her British flag was a subterfuge to enable her to pass the blockade, but later it developed that her patent, dated April 10, 1897, was bona fide, and that she was boldly attempting, in the face of all risks, to land her cargo for the Spanlards on the Island.

When sighted by the St. Louis the sloop was becalmed, and Captain Moss, who was unfamilfar with the water thereabouts, was expecting a pilot to take him in. The St. Louis sent four or five shots from her six-pounders, but as the sloop showed no indication of surrendering the gig was lowered, and half a dozen men pulled toward her, peppering her sails with shot from their small arms.

Captain Moss said he thought all this was done in sport, but when he found himself a prisoner of war he became badly frightened. and spent the whole time between capture and arrival here in parrying and weeping.

STILL BUYING TRANSPORTS.

Washington, July 12.-Negotiations are still in progress between the War Department and shinwners looking to the acquisition by the Government of additional vessels, particularly on the Atlantic Coast. The activity in this direction would seem to indicate that no time is to be lost in making preparations for future expeditions when the campaign against Santiago comes to an end.

It was formally announced to-day that the Department had bought the sceamship Roumanian, of the Alian Line, and also the powerful sea-going tug Britannia, which will be sent to Santiago for Shafter's army. Colonel Humphreys, quartermaster in charge of transportation with the army in Cuba, has orders to send back to Tampa such vessels as are not needed, and they will arrive from time to time and be put to such use as may be found neces-

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The supply-ship Mohawk is now at Port Tampa, loading with two hundred thousand pounds of re-frigerated beef for the army in Cuba. She will pro-ceed promptly to Santiago, and will be followed by the Port Victor, which, loaded with subsistence stores, was scheduled to leave New-York to-day. The Port Victor will stop at Tampa and load with three hundred thousand pounds of beef.

DELICACIES FOR THE SICK Washington, July 12 - Surgeon-General Sternberg of the Army asks that contributions of delicacies Whitehall-st., New-York. Lieutenant-Colonel Brown is in charge of the medical supply depot there, and will acknowledge the receipt of contributions.

These will be sent to Santiago on a ship scheduled to leave New-York on Friday, and which is to call at Charleston, S. C. for troops. In addition to other supplies the ship will carry five hundred beds for the Hospital Corps and a large consignment of mineral water.

AMERICA'S FIGHTING MEN.

QLOWING TRIBUTE PAID TO THEM BY THE

FRENCH MILITARY ATTACHE. Washington, July 12.-Major De Grandprey, just returned from the American headquarters near fantiago, where he has been observing for his Government the progress of military operations. He paid a glowing tribute to the fighting ability of American soldiers.

"I have the most complete admiration for your men," said Major De Grandprey to-day. They are a superb body, individually and as an army, and I suppose not throughout the world is there such a splendid lot of fighting men. It is the fighting characteristic of the men which is most apparent. They are aggressive, eager for action, never needing the voice of an officer to push them forward. Another marked characteristic is the self-reliance of each man-what we call the character of 'initiative.' It is almost unknown in European armies, where every movement and the move to meet each action of the enemy awaits the initiative of an officer. But with your men they fight to the front, meeting each emergency as it arises, overcoming obstacles by their own initiative. Such self-reliant fighting men make an exceptionally impetuous army, for every unit contributes in the irresistible onward movement. The Spanish troops do not have this same characteristic. They are more passive, more cautious. Besides the impetuosity of such fighting material, it has the effect of inspiring a morale among the troops, making them feel that success is assured, and at the same time carrying disorder and depression to the ranks

EVERY MAN FIGHTING FOR HIMSELF Major De Grandprey says the fighting about

Santiago is something entirely different from the warfare of European and other armies of modern times. The dense vegetation and tangle of tropical vines make it impossible to observe the usual military formations. As a fesuit, there is little or no effort to fight in solid forma-Every man is fighting for himself, pushing forward through the shrubbery, vines and tall grass. It is impossible to see the enemy. There is no line of battle ahead against which the assault is directed. Only through the reports of pickets, and from the crack of rifles here and there ahead, is it known that a fighting force is there. This makes the shooting irregular, as it is seldom possible to see one of the opposing soldiers to get a distinct aim at him. The main result of this is to bring the two fighting forces close together gradually, until they are fighting at short range. In this respect, Major De Grandprey points out, it is a return to the fighting of two hundred years ago, when the short range of the arms then in use compelled fighting at close quarters. As is always the case at close-range fighting, the casualties are far greater. With the usual open field fighting of European armies the range is long and, as a result, the casualties are not so great in a given period. It has the effect, also, of allowing given period. It has the effect, also, of allowing time for each side to gauge the strength of its adversary, and in this way decisive results are often achieved in long-range fighting before a general assault has occurred. But it is impossible. Major De Grandprey points out, for the American or Spanish troops to take this measure of each other, as they see nothing of the general battle, and meet only when brought into close quarters. into close quarters.

MANAGEMENT OF THE EXPEDITIONS. Major De Grandprey also speaks highly of the efficiency with which the American troops supplies were started on the expedition and debarked in Cuba. This has come in for considerable criticism in this country, but Major De Grandprey says that, considering the brief time allowed for equipping the expedition, remarkable results were secured. European military expeditions, such as those of England or France, to Africa or other points, he says, are planned six months ahead, which allows ample time for working out the most minute details. The first word of Admiral Cervera's entering Santlago Harbor was on May 16, and the vast military preparation was well under way and the expedition started early in the following month of June. This, and the insignificant loss of men and animals landing. Major De Grandprey says, were an exceptionally good showing, judged by the best military standards. He says the foreign military observers were more concerned with this matter of embarking and discribarking troops, supplies and anima's than with the actual military ma-nœuvres, as the moving of large forces constione of the most important problems of

Major De Grandprey will remain here for week, and will then return to Santiago, if the place has not surrendered by that time. In case of a surrender, he will proceed to Porto Rico, or such other points as may become the centre of military operations. As to the probabilities of surrender and the political aspect of the situa-Major De Grandprey will express no opin-as he feels that it would be contrary to the proprieties of his position.

SAMPSON'S RELATIONS WITH SCHLEY. Washington, July 12-Secretary Long has received telegrams of a personal nature from Commodore Schley, and it is believed from Admiral Sampson as well. It is supposed they have been called forth by the newspaper controversies over the credit for the victory over the Spanish squadron, controversies which are most carnestly deprecated by the officials of the Navy Department. Secretary Long declines to make public these dispatches, though it is believed that they tend to demonstrate the existence of good relations between the two officers, and a disposition on the part of both to be judged strictly according to the canons of naval

BOUNTY FOR SAMPSON'S MEN.

Washington, July 12 .- Something over \$200,-000 will be paid by this Government as "head money" to the officers and sailors who destroyed Cervera's fleet. This is according to the law, which provides payment of \$100 for each man on the ships of an enemy when these ships are considerable sums.

The law governing the distribution of this money is explicit. There are exact provisions for carrying it into effect, and every man, according to his rank, will be paid in due season. The statute is as follows:

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A bounty shall be paid by the United States for each person on board any ship of vessel of war belonging to an enemy at the commencement of an engagement which is sunk or otherwise destroyed in such engagement by any ship or vessel belonging to the United States, or which it may be necessary to destroy in consequence of injury sustained in actical, of 100, if the enemy's vessel was of inferior force, and of \$500 if of equal or superior force, to be divided in the same manner as prize moneys; and when the actual number of men on board any such vessel cannot be satisfactorily ascertained it shall be estimated according to the complement allowed the vessels of its class in the Navy of the United States; and there shall be paid as bounty to the captors of any vessel of war captured from an enemy, which they may be instroyed for the public interest, but not in consequence of injuries received in action, \$50 for every person who shall be on board at the time of such capture.

According to this law, the officers and men

According to this law, the officers and men of Sampson's fleet will be entitled to \$100 for every officer and man on board the six Spanish ships destroyed off Santiago. Records in the Bureau of Intelligence at the Navy Department show the complement of officers and men on the ships as follows: Vizcaya, 500; Maria Teresa, 500; Almirante Oquendo, 500; Cristobal Colon, 450; Furor, 67; Pluton, 70; total, 2,087. On this reckoning the Government will pay to the officers and men of Sampson's fleet \$208,700. The figures in Commodore Watson's dispatch to the Navy Department are slightly different, but change the result only a trifle.

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MANILA SITUATION UNCHANGED.

ADMIRAL DEWEY WAITING FOR THE AR-

RIVAL OF GENERAL MERRITT. Hong Kong, July 13 .- The British gunboat Plover, which left Manila on Sunday morning, has arrived here. She :eports that at the time of leaving Manila there was no change in the situation. Admiral Dewcy was awaiting the arrival of General Merritt. The insurgents were firing nightly on the Spaniards, and the blockade had finally beer, rendered effective.

FOURTH PHILIPPINE EXPEDITION.

San Francisco, July 12.-The fourth expedition to the Philippines will number 1,760 men. With Major-General Otis will sail Brigadier-General Hughes, chief of staff of the Department of the Pacific; Lieutenant-Colonel Barry, assistant adjutant-general; Major Mallory, inspector-general; Captain Charles McClure, judge-advocate; First Lieutenant Sladen, ald. The remaining members of the staff will go to Manila next week on the City of Rio Janeiro, and join him on that vessel on its arrival at Honolulu. They are Captain H. Betford, assistant adjutant-general; Captain C. A. Devol, assistant quartermaster, and Captain C. C. Waicutt. assistant quartermaster.

General Otis expects that the steamers Rio Janeiro, Pennsylvania and St. Paul will be ready to sail with the troops on Friday of next week. He does not expect to get any more troops away until the return from Manila of the steamships City of Peking, City of Sydney and Australia. He thinks these vessels will be back in this port by about August 3.

The 7th California will go to Manila, if pres ent plans are not altered. About three hundred men of the 6th Artillery, who will sail on the Peru with their guns, have nearly all had long experience, and many of them are expert marksmen. Ninety horses and 120 mules will be sent to Manila on the ship Tacoma. They will be cared for by Veterinary Surgeon Plummer, of the 1st Cavalry, and a detail of thirty

AGUINALDO "PATROLLING THE COAST." Madrid, July 12 .- An official dispatch from Iloilo, Philippine Islands, says Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, is "patrolling the coast with a squadron of merchantmen.

The dispatch adds that two bands of insurgents at Cebu have been defeated, and that three insurgent leaders have been captured and shot.

THE SPANIARDS AT PORTSMOUTH.

CERVERA AND OTHER OFFICERS TO GO TO ANNAPOLIS TO-DAY.

Portsmouth, N. H., July 12 .- The auxiliary cruiser St. Louis, which brought the Spanish prisoners into this port on Sunday, was busy coaling to-day, and it was planned to have the work of taking on the six hundred tons required completed by to-night. At any rate, it is expected that the cruiser will start for Annapolis to-morrow morn ing with Admiral Cervera and the other Span ish officers, who have been ordered to that station for confinement as prisoners of war.

The Spanish captives who were landed on Seavey's Island, where they will be confined for the present, have made themselves at home, cards or other favorite games. The men have good appetites, and are apparently contented. The food supplied them is of the best quality. Two of the cooks of the Cristobal Colon have been detailed to assist twelve Americans in this work, and the seamen have a better prospect for good living than they have had in a long

time.

The sick among the Spaniards have been placed in the two hospitals at the island. It has been found necessary to provide additional quarters for the accommodation of all who are on the sick list. The marine guard of twentythe sick list. The marine guard of twenty-seven men which came here on the St. Louis has been put ashore, and will remain to assist in guarding the prisoners. The Govern-ment tug which visited the cruiser at noon re-ports that Admiral Cervera is feeling much improved to-day.

CAPTAIN CONCAS WAS NOT KILLED. Washington, July 12 .- Admiral Sampson telegraphed to the Navy Department to-day that Captain Concas, who was reported to have been killed in the destruction of the Spanish squadron, is alive, wounded, and on the hospital ship Solace. This officer is well known in the United States, having brought the Columbian caravels across the Atlantic and to Chicago for exhibition at the World's Fair. He was popular at the time, but lost the regard of a good many of his American admirers when, just before the outbreak of the war with Spain, he delivered before the Geographical Society in Madrid a bitter diatribe directed against the personal qualities of the American people.

COURTESIES EXTENDED TO PRISONERS. Washington, July 12.-The Secretary of the Navy has accorded to the Spanish officers who

were brought as prisoners on the St. Louis, and are now at Portsmouth, the privilege of communicating freely with their friends and families in Spain by cable, under proper precautions to prevent the sending of any information touching the progress of the war. In consequence the navigation office has been fairly destroyed. A few of the officers will receive | flooded with messages submitted for inspection. The Navy is also freely furnishing such information as it possesses as to the safety or condition of the Spanish prisoners in answer to appeals from their friends at home.

Nearly all the Spanish efficers are without money, and are also in straits for clothing. Secretary Long has arranged to allow a certain sum of money to them each day, in accordance with the courteous, but not always observed, custom in the case of prisoners of war.

CANNOT COAL AT ST. THOMAS. Washington, July 12.-Before the war began this Government accumulated a stock of coal at

St. Thomas, West Indies. Most of it was on shore, but one thousand tons were on a schooner lying in the harbor. Twice since the war broke out the United States has availed itself of this coal, once to supply the Minneapolis and once the Montgomery, but as each was bound for the nearest home port and took only enough coal to carry it there it was fairly assumed there had been no breach of neutrality. However, it appears that a disposition is now exhibited by the Danish authorities to prevent the United States ships from using this coal, and as there is no question of their right to lay down such a rule the coal probably will be let alone. Fortunately there is no particular need for it, as there are other means of coaling a fleet now in use. The incident is one which will be used as a strong argument for the establishment of coaling stations in various parts of the globe for the benefit of the United States Navy.

NEGLECT OF THE WOUNDED

A SHOCKING STORY FROM AN OBSERVER BACK FROM THE FRONT.

INSUFFICIENT PREPARATION RESULTED IN TER-RIBLE SUFFERING AFTER THE FIGHTING BEFORE SANTIAGO.

Tampa, Fla., July 10 (Special).-When the army of invasion left this port, some weeks ago, military men who had seen service wondered at the small size of the ambulance corps which had accompanied the expedition. Im mediately after the skirmish of the 1st Voiunteer Cavalry, better known as the Rough Riders, there came a telegram from Major-General Shafter, asking for more ambulances, more surgeons and more medical supplies. These were hurried off at once, and it was apparent that a mistake had been made in not providing more thoroughly against possible emergencies. This mistake became still more apparent after the battles in front of Santiago

on June 30 and July 1 and 2. From a newspaper correspondent who reached here last night on the transport Cherokee, which brought back nearly three hundred and fifty wounded enlisted men, the writer learned additional facts, which tend to prove that some one has blundered. The facts, as related by the man referred to, show that a deplorable condition of affairs existed in the American camp near Santiago up to and including July 4, when the Cherokee started north.

"I was at the front," said this correspondent, during the fighting on July 1 and 2, and whatever the errors that may have been made in the conduct of those battles they lose value as compared with the inefficiency in the handling of the wounded, both on shore and on the way home. In the first place, no apparent effort was made to relieve the sufferings of the men who fell on the field. I don't say that the few surgeons who were there did not work, for they did, and they worked like heroes. But they were unable, from mere lack of numbers, to attend to all the cases. "On the night of July 2 I was forced to re-

tire to the shore, because of illness, and the sights that met my eyes as I trudged along she road made an impression that will never, can never, be forgotten. On my way I passed hundreds of men who had been wounded, dragging themselves along, many of them on their hands and knees, each step adding to their agony and lessening their chances of recovery. Enlisted men, some of them bleeding from bullet wounds could be seen carrying their officers, who were more seriously hurt, and all along the route were others whose injuries were too severe to permit them continuing their journey without assistance. The little stream which crosses the road near Siboney was absolutely red with the blood of men who had stopped to rest themselves and dress their wounds. The sight was pitiful almost beyond description. "As fast as these unfortunate fellows reached

the hospital they were cared for, but the accommodations were overtaxed, and General Shafter then decided to send away all who were able to stand the voyage. Looking at it in the light of what happened after the return trip began, it seems as if it would have been more humane to have kept them there, for the conditions on the Cherokee were such as to retard, instead of hasten, the recovery of the poor fellows who were sent aboard her. In the first place, the hold of the ship gave forth the most disgusting odors from the bilgewater which had been collecting in her for the last month. Then the decks of the ship were overcrowded with wounded men. Worse than all, the medical attendance was grossly insufficient. For the three hundred and fifty men on board there was only one surgeon and three or four hospital stewards. When I tell you that in one day this surgeon made 110 redressings, you will see that he had a greater burden than he should have had. Many of his cases were so serious that amputations may be necessary to save the lives of his patients, and the overcrowding of the vessel made the existence of all of them almost unbearable. "No provision had been made for the com-

fort of the poor fellows, and probably a fourth of them were without blankets, and many of nem without even clothing sufficient to cove their nakedness. The hot days in Cuba had caused them to throw away their blankets, and numbers of them had lost their clothing in the battles with the Spaniards. On the way here the supply of bandages became exhausted, and for this reason the sufferings of all were unnecessarily increased by some one's negligence I don't care to locate the blame, but somebody in authority will have a great crime to answer for when the day of reckoning comes." When the Cherokee was tied to her pier

large number of surgeons were on hand to care for the wounded men and make them comfortable for their ride northward on the ambulance trains which were in waiting. In squads of fourteen the men were sent from the ship, their wounds dressed and good food issued to them. The work was well and promptly done, and within a few hours the journey to Fort McPher-

CAPTAIN ALGER'S BRAVERY.

Washington, July 12.-Frederick Alger, son of the Secretary of War, and a captain in the Adjutant-General's Department, has been distinguishing himself before Santiago, and has parned the warm commendation of his superior officers, couched in such terms as to make it apparent that it was not called forth by any consideration of his relationship to Secretary Alger. The official reports show that young Alger, in his zeal to get to the front, seized a rifle and joined the 1st Infantry in the ranks, in order to get ashore with the very first body of troops. Since that, attached to General Duffield's brigade, he has rendered most important

SPAIN ISSUES BONDS. Madrid, July 12 .- The Government to-day is

sued a loan of 500,000,000 pesetas in Treasury bonds at 5 per cent, of which amount the Bank of Spain takes 300,000,000 pesetas. SANTIAGO'S SURRENDER REPORTED.

publishes an undated Kingston, Jamaica, dispatch, received at 6:20 p. m., to-day, affirming that the city of Santiago de Cuba has capitu-DECLINE IN SPANISH CURRENCY.

Rome, July 12.- The "Tribuna," of this city.

OFFICIALS OF TWO COUNTRIES REFUSE TO AC-

Washington, July 12.-Perhaps there is no better

evidence of Spanish decay as furnished by the war, not even the failure of Spanish naval squadrons to keep affoat when assailed by American fleets. than what Consul-General Partridge tells the State Department respecting the decline of Spain's cur-rency recently in the neighboring State of Morocco. Writing from Tangler, under date of May 21, Mr. Partridge says that Spanish currency had much That was little more than a month depreciated. after the beginning of the war. In January, we after the beginning of the war. In January, we are informed, the exchange value was \$1.25 Spanish for \$1 American on May 1 the rate was \$2 Spanish for \$1 American. Owing to relief obtained by the Bank of Spain, the rate at the time of writing was \$1.60 Spanish for \$1 American. He further says that the British postoffice and the Moorish customs authorities refuse altogether to

THE HARRY STEWART WAS ORDERED OFF. The Nova Scotian brig Harry Stewart, which arrived from Montego Bay yesterday, sailed from Boar River. N. S., with a cargo of lumber Clenfuegos, Cuba. On arrival off that port the United States auxiliary cruiser Eagle boarded the brig and ordered her off. Captain Brinton then proceeded to Montego Bay and discharged the



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MINES ORDERED REMOVED.

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NO ATTACK ON AMERICAN PORTS FEARED BY THE GOVERNMENT. Washington, July 12.-The Secretary of War

has ordered the removal of all the submarine mines which now protect the harbors of the United States against the entry of hostile ships. This action was decided upon at to-day's Cabinet meeting. For weeks past-in fact, almost since the beginning of hostilities-the War Department has been deluged with protests from the commercial interests of the country against the continuance of these mines, which operate to the great detriment of commerce. In certain cases influences were brought to hear that secured an abatement of the rules, but this only increased the dissatisfaction in localities where they were rigidly applied. Practically it has been impossible for shipping to enter or leave any of the harbors of the United States for the last two months between the hours of sunset and sunrise. The decision of the Cabinet to remove these mines now is one of the most signal manifestations of the supreme confidence of the Government that United States ports are exempt from an attack at the hands of any hos

After thoroughly considering the subject it has been decided by the engineers that the safest and quickest means of removing the mines is by exploding them, and orders to do this have been prepared for transmission to all the engineer officers in charge of harbor defences throughout the country.

The order of removal, it is said, is to apply to localities where the interests of commerce demand it. In cases where it is safe, an effort will be made to remove the mines instead of exploding them. Wherever there is any doubt they will be exploded. The action of the sea in some instances causes the dynamite in th ellipsoidal vessels to ooze out through the screw threads where the plug is inserted, and unless the greatest care is taken the removal of the plug may cause an explosion. It will be some days before the actual removing or exploding of the mines can be put in operation, and the question as to whether the interests of commerce demand it will be left to the discretion of the engineer officers having jurisdiction over the various districts. Orders for carrying into effect the decision of the Cabinet will be sent to them

immediately. While the mines proper are to be removed, all the incidental attachments necessary to their installation and operation will be retained, such as the casements, anchors, connections and switchboxes, so that if it is found necessary to replace the mines it may be done on short no-

NO ORDER RECEIVED BY MAJOR ADAMS. Major Henry M. Adams, who is in charge of the mine fields, said when seen yesterday afternoon that no order directing him to remove the mines had been received as yet. Further than that he

declined to discuss the matter. The decision on the part of the Government to remove the mines follows the recent action of New-York shipping interests, which began to formulate requests to this effect as soon as the news of the complete destruction of Cervera's fleet because known. It was argued that as there was no longer the least possibility of a hostile foreign warship entering the harbor, the mines, which doubtless cause much inconvenience to shipping, should be

THE BUFFALO TO BE A COLLIER.

SHE COST THE UNITED STATES OVER HALF MILLION DOLLARS. Washington, July 12 (Special).-The Secretary of

the Navy to-day adopted heroic measures in an atrassment over the Brazilian dynamice-gun vessel Nictheroy, recently purchased at the exorbitant price of \$550,000, by ordering her to the New-York yard to be converted into a collier. This vessel, which was formerly El Cid, of the Morgan Line. costing \$350,000 when new, was purchased by Brazil during the revolution and fitted with dynamite guns at considerable expense. At the outbreak of hostilities with Spain she was secured by the United States through a New-York broker, and, although d'smantled of her guns and otherwise in very bad d'smantled of het guns and otherwise in very condition, she was brought to this country, evoking nearly as much solicitude for her safety as the Oregon. When she arrived at Newport News she was accepted by the Government and rechtstened the Buffalo, the intention being to fit her as an auxiliary cruiser of the Yankee-Dixie class. When she was thoroughly surveyed by naval officers it was found that she could not be made ready for seadury without expenditures exceeding \$200,000, which would bring her total cost to a figure far in excess of that paid John Roach for the cruiser Chicago. When inspected by the officials of the Marine Hospital Service Surgeon-General Wyman declined to permit any alterations to be made in her at Southern Navy yards, and insisted that in addition to tearing out all her woodwork and burning it she should be thoroughly disinfected to destroy the yellow fever germs which were known to exist in her hull. He also asked that she should be sent North as soon as possible for fear that she might develop and spread disease at any moment. The Board of Construction, finding that nothing could be done to her within reasonable price to fit her as a cruiser, recommended that she be turned into a cellier, and she is therefore to have the distinction of being the most expensive vessel of her kind affoat, it is unifically in the survey of the work of the present war lasts many months, that she can be made of any effective sefvice unless she is used to block Havana Harbor after the manner of the Merrimac. condition, she was brought to this country, evoking

LIEUTENANT BERNADOU ADVANCED. Washington, July 12.-Official orders were issue to-day announcing that Lieutenant Bernadou, who was in command of the torpedo-boat Winslow in the action at Cardenas. in which Ensign Bagier was killed, had been advanced ten numbers in his grade in recognition of his meritorious services of that occasion.